December 6, 2018

NOTICE OF LAND USE CODE AMENDMENTS AND DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE RELATED TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE

Pursuant to SMC 25.05.340 and WAC 197-11-340

The City of Seattle is proposing to amend the Land Use Code (Title 23 SMC) to require new development in Seattle that includes off-street parking spaces to provide electric vehicle ("EV") charging infrastructure. Specifically, the legislation would require that a certain amount of parking spaces include the wiring and electrical (power) outlets necessary to be considered "EV ready", to make it easier for someone to install charging equipment/stations there in the future. It would not specifically require charging stations themselves. The requirements would apply regardless of whether the parking was required by the Code or provided for other reasons.

The legislation would expand upon existing EV-readiness requirements in the Seattle Electrical Code.

Generally, the proposed legislation would:

- Define "electric vehicle ready" parking
- Require that parking for all single-family houses, townhouses and certain other residential structures, include an EV-ready space
- Require that multifamily development with shared parking facilities provide at least 20% EV-ready spaces, with higher requirements for smaller surface parking areas
- Require that parking facilities for non-residential uses include at least 10% EV-ready parking spaces
- Allow flexibility from the EV requirements in certain instances
- Require that unit lot subdivisions with common parking areas address EV charging infrastructure in the access easements and joint use and maintenance agreements.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

After review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file, the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI) has determined that the amendments described above will not have a probable significant adverse environmental impact and has issued a Determination of Non-Significance under the State Environmental Policy Act (no Environmental Impact Statement required).

HOW TO COMMENT

Comments regarding this DNS or potential environmental impacts may be submitted through December 20, 2018. Comments may be sent to:

City of Seattle, SDCI Attn: Christina Ghan P.O. Box 94788 Seattle, WA 98124-7088 Christina.ghan@seattle.gov

HOW TO APPEAL

Appeals of the decision to issue a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) must be submitted to the Office of the Hearing Examiner by 5:00 p.m. December 27, 2018. Appeals should be addressed to the Hearing Examiner and must be accompanied by an \$85.00 filing fee in a check payable to the City of Seattle. The appeal must be sent to:

City of Seattle Hearing Examiner PO Box 94729 Seattle WA 98124-4729

INFORMATION AVAILABLE

Copies of the DNS and the proposal may be obtained online at http://www.seattle.gov/sdci/codes/changes-to-code/electric-vehicle-readiness or at the SDCI Public Resource Center, 700 5th Avenue, Suite 2000 in the Seattle Municipal Tower. The Public Resource Center is open 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday.

Questions regarding the proposed amendments and environmental determination can be directed to Christina Ghan, SDCI Senior Planner, at (206) 233-3749 or christina.ghan@seattle.gov.